

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A system for managing newly accessible media content on a communication network, comprising:

a display communicatively coupled to at least one communication device at a first ~~geographic location~~ private home, the communication device being in at least one of a “standby” mode and an “off” mode;

a communication network communicatively coupled to the at least one communication device; and

media content disposed in one or both of the communication network and/or the at least one communication device, the at least one communication device operable to detect at least a portion of the media content that is newly accessible to the at least one communication device and to provide at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly accessible media content, the at least one indication being provided on one or both of the display and/or the at least one communication device prior to accessing of the newly accessible media content by the at least one communication device, ~~and~~ wherein the at least one communication device is operable to push the media content including at least a portion of the newly accessible media and a plurality of media channels including a personal media channel that is constructed at the first private home and that provides access to personal media content that is personally generated at the first private home from the first ~~geographic location~~ private home to a second ~~geographic location~~ private home, and wherein, at the second private home, the newly accessible media content and the plurality of media channels including the personal media channel are displayed in a personal media guide.

2. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the communication network comprises one or more of a third party media server, a media exchange server, a third party

media provider, a third party service provider, a media storage server, a broadband access headend, a broadcast channel provider, a cable infrastructure, a satellite network infrastructure, a digital subscriber line (DSL) infrastructure, an Internet infrastructure, an intranet infrastructure, a wired infrastructure, a closed communication infrastructure, a local area network, and/or a wireless infrastructure.

3. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the communication network comprises the Internet.

4. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one communication device comprises one or more of a computer, a storage device, a media peripheral, set-top box circuitry, a television, a text display, a keyboard, a computer mouse, a remote control, an internal speaker, an intercom system, an infrared transmitter, light emitting diodes (LED's), and/or a stereo system.

5. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the display is one or more of a CRT-based television, a high definition TV (HDTV), a plasma display system, and/or a projection television.

6. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the media content comprises one or more of third party media content, user-created media content, digital video, digital images, digital audio, documents, files, non-broadcast media content, broadcast television programs, radio channels, news programming, sporting events programming, special programming, and/or on-demand movies.

7. (Original) The system according to claim 6, wherein the media content comprises non-

broadcast information.

8. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly available media content comprises one or both of a display pop-up window notification and/or a display ghost overlay notification.

9. (Original) The system according to claim 8, wherein the display is in a “standby” mode.

10. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly available media content comprises one or more of a text display announcement, activating LED's, and/or an audible announcement.

11. (Original) The system according to claim 10, wherein the display is in an “off” mode.

12. (Currently Amended) A system for managing newly accessible media content on a communication network, comprising:

at least one processor disposed in a communication device at a first private home ~~geographic location~~, the communication device being in a “standby” mode and communicatively coupled to a communication network, the at least one processor detecting newly accessible media content on the communication network and providing at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly accessible media content, wherein the at least one processor provides the at least one indication prior to accessing of the newly accessible media content by the communication device, and wherein the at least one processor is operable to push the media content including at least a portion of the newly accessible media and a plurality of media channels including a personal media channel that is constructed at the first private home and that provides access to personal media content that is personally generated at the first private home from the first ~~geographic location~~ private home to a

second ~~geographic location~~ private home.

13. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein the communication device comprises one or more of a computer, a storage device, a media peripheral, set-top box circuitry, a television, a text display, a keyboard, a computer mouse, a remote control, an internal speaker, an intercom system, an infrared transmitter, light emitting diodes (LED's), and/or a stereo system.

14. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 12, wherein the at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly available media content comprises one or more of a display pop-up window notification, a display ghost overlay notification, a text display announcement, activating LED's, and/or an audible announcement.

15. (Currently Amended) A method for managing newly accessible media content on a communication network, comprising:

detecting, at a first ~~geographic location~~ private home, newly available media content by a communication device in at least one of a "standby" mode and an "off" mode, the communication device communicatively coupled to a communication network; ~~and~~

generating at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly available media content, prior to accessing of the newly accessible media content by the communication device, ~~and~~ wherein the communication device is operable to push media content including at least a portion of the newly accessible media and a plurality of media channels including a personal media channel that is constructed at the first private home and that provides access to personal media content that is personally generated at the first private home from the first ~~geographic location~~ private home to a second ~~geographic location~~ private home, and wherein, at the second private home, the newly accessible media content, the plurality of media channels including the personal media channel and

a plurality of broadcast media channels are displayed in a user media guide.

16. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15, wherein the at least one indication is in one or more of a text format, a graphic format, and/or an audio format.

17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15, wherein the at least one indication relating to the detection of the newly available media content comprises one or more of a display pop-up window notification, a display ghost overlay notification, a text display announcement, activating LED's, and/or an audible announcement.

18. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 15, comprising:
displaying the constructed at least one indication on the communication device, the communication device being in a "standby" mode.

19. (Currently Amended) A method for managing newly accessible media content on a communication network, comprising:

detecting newly accessible media content by a communication device at a first ~~geographic location~~ private home, the communication device communicatively coupled to a communication network;

displaying a notice relating to the availability of the newly accessible media content on a text display, the text display communicatively coupled to the communication device;

activating one or both of an integrated television and/or an external television; and

displaying a graphic notice for the availability of the newly accessible media content on one or both of the integrated television and/or the external television, wherein the displaying of one or both of the notice and/or the graphic notice occurs prior to accessing of the newly accessible media content by the communication device, and wherein the communication device is operable to push

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media content including at least a portion of the newly accessible media and a plurality of media channels including a personal media channel that is constructed at the first private home and that provides access to personal media content that is personally generated at the first private home from the first ~~geographic location~~ private home to a second ~~geographic location~~ private home.

20. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein one or both of the integrated television and/or the external television is in a “standby” mode.

21. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 19, comprising:
generating an audible alert signal for the availability of the newly accessible media content.

22. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 21, wherein one or both of the integrated television and the external television is in an “off” mode.